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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): KAWASHIMA et al. Group Art Unit: 2851
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For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND METHOD

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT WITH
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement mailed on January 21, 2005, in the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully submit the following response.

Amendment to the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.